## **HOUSE BILL 1509**

## By McKenzie

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, relative to child care.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-1-130(b), is amended by deleting the language "from the market rate study" and substituting the language "from the market rate study or utilizing an alternative methodology".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-1-130(c), is amended by deleting the language "results of the market rate study" and substituting the language "results of the market rate study; the results of an alternative methodology utilized, if applicable;".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-1-130, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

- (h) For purposes of this section, "alternative methodology":
- (1) Means a method of determining the costs of day care other than by a market rate study; and
  - (2) Includes cost-of-quality studies and cost estimation models.

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.